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INVEST INDIA SAVINGS AND INCOME SURVEY
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the `Invest India Savings and Income Survey` conducted in June 2007 which shows that the share of Institutionalized banking in rural India is a mere 19 per cent in compared to the share of 35 per cent money lenders;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) to (c): Invest India Economic Foundation which conducted an Income and Savings Survey 2007 has not submitted this report to the Government of India. However, increasing institutional credit flow to rural India, particularly to the agricultural sector, is a continuous effort. To increase the access of institutional credit, Government has decided to implement immediately two of the recommendations of the Interim Report of the Committee on Financial Inclusion under the Chairmanship of Dr. C. Rangarajan, namely, establishment of a Financial Inclusion Fund with NABARD for meeting the cost of developmental and promotional interventions; and establishment of a Financial Inclusion Technology Fund to meet the cost of technology adoption.